

BACKGROUND - HOA HAO STRENGTH  
AND DISPOSITION

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- I. There are four significant Hoa Hao factions, located generally some 80 miles to the west of Saigon (see map).
- II. Leaders of these factions and their armed strength are as follows:
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|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| A. Tran Van Soai          | 8,000                              |
| B. Le Quang Vinh (Ba Cut) | 4,300 (SEE MAP FOR REPORTED SHIFT) |
| C. Nguyen Giac Ngo*       | 3,300                              |
| D. Lam Thanh Nguyen*      | 3,400                              |
- III. Leaders marked with asterisk are said to be wavering in their support of nominal Hoa Hao leaders, Tran Van Soai.

IV.

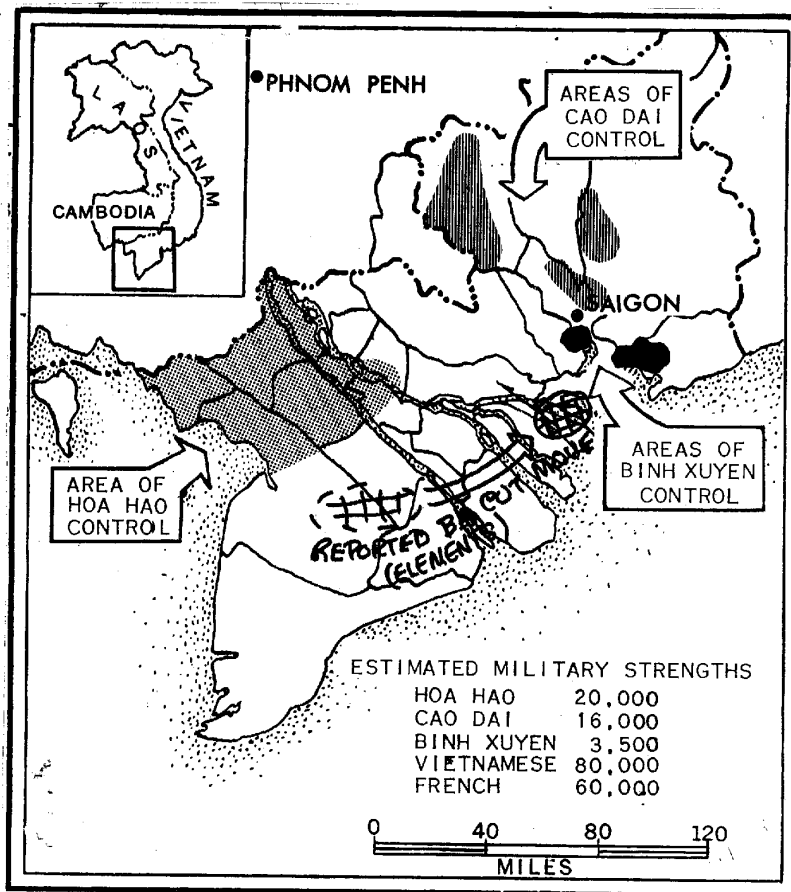
G-2 order of battle

on the Indochina sects is virtually nonexistent.

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